## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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STABLE LYOPHILIZED PHARMACEUTICAL SUBSTANCES FROM

MONOCLONAL OR POLYCLONAL ANTIBODIES

## **RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.121**

**Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

July 13, 2000

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 19, 2000, a Petition for Extension of Time for three months from April 19, 2000 to July 19, 2000 attached hereto, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 13. (Once Amended) A lyophilizate, comprising
  - a monoclonal antibody or a polyclonal antibody; (1)
  - a sugar or an amino sugar; (2)
  - at least one amino acid; and (3)
  - a surfactant, (4)

wherein the lyophilizate is essentially free of polyethylene glycols.